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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application under 37 U.S.C. §1.53(b) mailed February 5, 2002 (copy enclosed), applicant as a large entity submits herewith the following:

- ☒ Payment of the surcharge of \$130 for late filing of the declaration;
- ☒ A Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney in compliance with 37 CFR §1.63 (2 pages); and
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment inserting the term "Abstract" on the final page of the application (3 pages).

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It is understood that this perfects the application and no additional papers or filing fees are required. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 12130-007001.

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- An abstract was not provided for this application. An abstract of the technical disclosure is required under 37 CFR 1.72(b).

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